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SUBJ: BREZHNEV ON CHINA

1. SPEAKING OVER NATIONWIDE TV FROM TASHKENT,
BREZHNEV DISCLOSED MID-JUNE 1973 SOVIET OFFER TO
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CHINA TO CONCLUDE TREATY OF NON-ATTACK, INCLUDING

OBLIGATION NOT TO ATTACK ON LAND, AIR OR SEA, NOR TO THREATEN ATTACK. CHINESE DID NOT REPLY TO SOVIET OFFER. BREZHNEV CHALLENGED CHINESE TO BACK THEIR WORDS ABOUT NORMALIZATION OF RELATIONS WITH DEEDS, AND WARNED UNNAMED THIRD PARTIES WHO HOPE TO PROFIT FROM "ABNORMAL" SINO-SOVIET RELATIONS THAT THEIR EFFORTS COULD HARM NOT ONLY PRC AND USSR BUT OTHERS. IN THIS CONTEXT HE EMPHATICALLY DECLARED "PEACE IS INDIVISIBLE".

2. PRELIMINARY COMMENT: BREZHNEV'S REVELATION OF NEW TREATY OFFER TO PRC, APPARENTLY MUCH ALONG LINES OF JANUARY 15, 1971 OFFER PREVIOUSLY DISCLOSED, EXPLAINS SURGE IN ANTI-CHINESE POLEMICS THIS PAST SUMMER AS IT BECAME CLEAR PEKING DID NOT INTEND TO RESPOND. RETURN OF SOVIET DEPFONMIN FROM PEKING BORDER TALKS IN MID-JULY ON EVE OF CHINESE COMMUNIST SUMMIT WAS OBVIOUSLY RELATED TO FAILURE OF LATEST INITIATIVE.

3. TIMING AND SUBSTANCE OF SOVIET OFFER WERE EVIDENTLY MEANT TO DOVETAIL WITH U.S. -SOVIET PREVENTION OF NUCLEAR WAR AGREEMENT. NEVERTHELESS, CHINESE REBUFF MUST HAVE BEEN ANTICIPATED IN LIGHT OF THEIR ATTITUDE TO PREVIOUS SOVIET NON-AGGRESSION PROPOSALS.

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